

**ELA TOWNSHIP BOARD MEETING
EXECUTIVE SESSION MINUTES
JULY 8TH, 2004**

7:00P.M.

**Village of Lake Zurich Board Meeting Room
70 East Main Street, Lake Zurich, IL.
Approved October 14, 2004**

1. Call To Order

The meeting was called to order at 7:10p.m.

- 2. Roll Call Present:** Supervisor Tinerella, Clerk Prouty, Trustees Black, Burch, and Sullivan. Ela Township Attorney Scott Puma. Trustee Knudtson was absent.

3. Land Acquisition

Attorney Puma explained to the Board a few things that he discovered about the property.

- a. The Village of Hawthorn Woods and the School District entered into an annexation agreement for the property.
- b. Village fees of \$1000/acre for annexation fees.
- c. \$3,245/acre for impact fees.
- d. Total would be \$254,700 due to the Village of Hawthorn Woods in two years from the date of closing and the Township would be obligated to pay this fee.

Disconnection/de-annexation is an option. The Annexation agreement doesn't prohibit disconnection but it does have language about cooperating to keep the property within the village. Thus, we can't guarantee that disconnection and avoidance of the fees will occur.

A special meeting of the electors of Ela Township will have to be held. And right now there is a new law on the governor desk waiting to be signed and this law would allow a Board to borrow money from a bank not exceeding 10 years. This would be the easiest way to finance the acquisition of property. Another way would be an referendum on the ballot.

Supervisor Tinerella felt that it would be common courtesy to the residents of Ela Township to have a meeting of the Electors on acquiring property.

Trustee Black wanted for the record that the contract should specify that the pile of dirt on the property shall be removed prior to closing. If the dirt has to be removed after closing, the cost to Township could be substantial, especially if off-site disposal is necessary.

Trustee Sullivan stated that the Township would take care of the dirt.

Trustee Black informed the Board that Susan Kostner the new Ela Township Social Worker would be driving to the Upper Michigan to visit her son so she will be off July 29, 30, and 2nd of August. The Social Worker has already accumulated comp time by having late meetings.

Supervisor Tinerella stated that no comp time was approved.

Trustee Black replied that when the Board was discussing overtime at the Social Worker interviews it was agreed upon that instead of the person being paid more for longer hours it was agreed for them to accumulate comp time.

The Board was in agreement for the Social Worker to take three days of her vacation instead of comp time.

Trustee Sullivan stated that maybe a policy should be standard for all employees.

Attorney Scott Puma stated that best thing for the Township Board to do:

1. Tell the school district that we have an interesting issue of de-annexation.
2. This de-annexation and disconnection would change how the finalization of the property acquisition.

Adjournment at 7:37p.m.

Lucy Prouty, Ela Township Clerk